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Wind Advisory Remains in Effect for the Marianas; Practice Caution on the Roadways and Remain Out of the Water

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office continues to monitor Tropical Storm Malakas as it continues moving northwest.

As of 1 p.m., the system was located near latitude 12.0 degrees north and longitude 139.7 degrees east, about 145 miles north of Ulithi in Yap State and 355 miles west-southwest of Guam. It is currently moving northwest at 29 mph with maximum sustained winds of 65 mph.

Although a direct impact is not expected for the Marianas, a wind advisory remains in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan. Southeast winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts up to 40 mph are possible in heavy showers. Winds will be higher in steep terrain. The community is advised to use caution when driving, especially if operating a high profile vehicle. Secure loose outdoor objects as gusty winds could blow around unsecured objects.

The following advisories remain in place for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan:

A **wind advisory** remains in effect until 6 p.m. Monday. Southeast winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts up to 40 mph are possible in heavy showers. Winds will be higher in steep terrain.

A **high surf advisory** remains in effect until 6 a.m. Monday. Large breaking waves of 10 to 12 feet are expected. Dangerous swimming and surfing conditions and localized beach erosion are expected.

A high risk of rip currents remains in effect through Monday afternoon. Dangerous rip currents are expected along east facing reefs. Inexperienced swimmers should remain out of the water due to dangerous conditions.

A small craft advisory remains in effect until 6 a.m. Monday. East winds of 20 to 30 knots, with gusts up to 35 knots, and seas of 9 to 12 feet are expected. Inexperienced mariners, especially those operating smaller vessels, should avoid boating in hazardous conditions.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD), in coordination with NWS, will continue to monitor all systems in the region and provide updates. The community is advised to practice caution if driving and to remain out of the water to avoid hazardous surf and seas.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- · NWS Website: https://www.weather.gov/gum/
- · NWS Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/
- · GHS/OCD Website: https://ghs.guam.gov/
- · GHS/OCD Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/

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